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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to RCE filed 06/25/2010.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-7,12-16,19-24,26-30,33,34,37,38,41-45 and 47-49.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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/Ariel Balaoing/
Examiner, Art Unit 2617

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Pedro Suarez (Reg. No. 45,895) on 01/11/2011.

The application has been amended as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method, comprising:
using an authentication message to signal service selection information via a first network to an authentication server of a second network, the service selection information indicating an access point, wherein the first and second networks are distinct, wherein the authentication message signals the service selection information via the first network to an authentication server of the second network; and
using the service selection information to connect to at least one service provided over the access point indicated by the service selection information,
selecting, using the authentication server, a gateway in the second network to connect to the first network;
wherein the service selection information comprises at least one access point name parameter,

wherein the at least one access point parameter comprises an access point name, a username, and a password, and

wherein the at least one access point name parameter is encrypted in the authentication message so that the access point name can be decrypted or read by an access server, and the user name and the password can only be decrypted at a network defined by the access point name.

2. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein the first network comprises a wireless local area network, wherein the second network comprises a cellular packet-switched network different from the first network, and the authentication message comprises an extensible authentication protocol message.

3. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein the second network is a cellular packet-switched network.

4. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 3, wherein the cellular packet-switched network is a general packet radio service network.

5. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 1, wherein the authentication message is an extensible authentication protocol message.

6. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 5, wherein the extensible authentication protocol message is an extensible authentication protocol

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subscriber identity module or extensible authentication protocol authentication and key agreement message.

7. (Previously Presented) A method according to claim 5, wherein the authentication message is an extensible authentication protocol challenge response message.

8-11 (Cancelled)

12. (Previously Presented) An apparatus, comprising:
a processor configured to connect first and second distinct networks and extract from a received authentication message a service selection information to select a service, wherein the authentication message signals the service selection information via the first network to an authentication server of the second network,

wherein the processor is configured to use the service selection information to establish a connection to services provided over an access point indicated by the service selection information,

wherein the service selection information comprises at least one access point name parameter,

wherein the processor is configured to select a gateway in the second network to connect to the first network;

wherein the at least one access point name parameter comprises an access point name, a username, and a password, and

wherein the at least one access point name parameter is encrypted in the authentication message so that the access point name can be decrypted or read by an access server, and the user name and the password can only be decrypted at a network defined by the access point name.

13. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 12, wherein the received authentication message is based on an extensible authentication protocol.

14. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 13, wherein the received authentication message is an extensible authentication protocol challenge response message.

15. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 12, wherein the processor is a standalone wireless local area network authentication server.

16. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 12, wherein the processor is a gateway general packet radio service support node.

17-18 (Cancelled)

19. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 12, wherein the at least one access point name parameter is decrypted in the processor.

20. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 12, wherein the at least one access point name parameter is forwarded by the processor to the access point in an encrypted manner.

21. (Previously Presented) An apparatus, comprising:
a processor configured to connect first and second distinct networks and to set, in an authentication message, a service selection information regarding selection of a network service, wherein the authentication message signals the service selection information via the first network to an authentication server of the second network,
wherein the service selection information comprises at least one access point name parameter,
wherein the at least one access point name parameter comprises an access point name, a username, and a password, and
wherein the at least one access point name parameter is encrypted in the authentication message so that said the access point name can be decrypted or read by an access server, and the user name and the password can only be decrypted at a network defined by the access point name,
wherein the access server is configured to select a gateway in the second network to connect to the first network.

22. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 21, wherein the authentication message is an extensible authentication protocol message.

23. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 22, wherein the extensible authentication protocol message is an extensible authentication protocol challenge response message.

24. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 23, wherein the extensible authentication protocol challenge response message is an extensible authentication protocol subscriber identity module or extensible authentication protocol authentication and key agreement challenge response message.

25. (Cancelled)

26. (Previously Presented) The apparatus according to claim 21, wherein the service is a general packet radio service.

27. (Previously Presented) A system, comprising:
a terminal device connected to a first network configured to provide access to a network service, the terminal device configured to set, in an authentication message, a service selection information regarding selection of the network service, wherein the authentication message signals the service selection information via the first network to an authentication server of a second network; and

an authentication server device connected to the second network, the authentication server device configured to provide an authentication mechanism, the authentication server device configured to extract from a received authentication message the service selection information to select the service, and to use the service

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selection information to establish a connection to services provided over an access point indicated by the service selection information, wherein the authentication server is configured to select a gateway in the second network to connect to the first network,

wherein the service selection information comprises at least one access point name parameter,

wherein the first and second networks are distinct,

wherein the at least one access point name parameter comprises an access point name, a username, and a password, and

wherein the at least one access point name parameter is encrypted in the authentication message so that the access point name can be decrypted or read by an access server, and the user name and the password can only be decrypted at a network defined by the access point name.

28. (Currently Amended) A method, comprising:

extracting, by a processor coupled to a second network, from a received authentication message received via a first network a service selection information to select a service;

selecting, using the processor coupled to the second network, a gateway in the second network to connect to the first network, wherein the authentication message signals the service selection information via the first network to an authentication server of the second network; and

using, by the processor coupled to the second network, the service selection information to establish a connection to services provided over an access point indicated by the service selection information,

wherein the service selection information comprises at least one access point name parameter,

wherein the first and second networks are distinct,

wherein the at least one access point name parameter comprises an access point name, a username, and a password, and

wherein the at least one access point name parameter is encrypted in the authentication message so that the access point name can be decrypted or read by an access server, and the user name and the password can only be decrypted at a network defined by the access point name.

29. (Currently Amended) A method, comprising:

setting in an authentication message sent via a first network to a second network a service selection information regarding selection of a network service at a terminal device, wherein the authentication message signals the service selection information via the first network to an authentication server of the second network;

selecting a gateway in the second network to connect to the first network;

wherein the service selection information comprises at least one access point name parameter,

wherein the first and second networks are distinct,

wherein the at least one access point name parameter comprises an access point name, a username, and a password, and

wherein the at least one access point name parameter is encrypted in the authentication message so that the access point name can be decrypted or read by an access server, and the user name and the password can only be decrypted at a network defined by the access point name.

30. (Currently Amended) A non-transitory computer-readable storage medium encoded with instructions configured to control a processor to perform a process, the process comprising:

using an authentication message to signal a service selection information via a first network to a second network, wherein the first and second networks are distinct;

using the service selection information to select a gateway in the second network to connect to the first network, wherein the authentication message signals the service selection information via the first network to an authentication server of the second network; and

using the service selection information to connect to services provided over an access point indicated by the service selection information,

wherein the service selection information comprises at least one access point name parameter,

wherein the at least one access point name parameter comprises an access point name, a username, and a password, and

wherein the at least one access point name parameter is encrypted in the authentication message so that the access point name can be decrypted or read by an access server, and the user name and the password can only be decrypted at a network defined by the access point name.

31-32. (Cancelled)

33. (Previously Presented) A non-transitory computer-readable storage medium encoded with instructions configured to control a processor to perform a process, the process comprising:

extracting, using a processor connected to a second network, from a received authentication message from a first network, a service selection information to select a service, wherein the authentication message signals the service selection information via the first network to an authentication server of the second network;

selecting a gateway in the second network to connect to the first network, wherein the first and second networks are distinct;

using the service selection information to establish a connection to services provided over an access point indicated by the service selection information,

wherein the service selection information comprises at least one access point name parameter,

wherein the at least one access point name parameter comprises an access point name, a username, and a password, and

wherein the at least one access point name parameter is encrypted in said authentication message so that the access point name can be decrypted or read by an access server, and the user name and the password can only be decrypted at a network defined by the access point name.

34. (Currently Amended) A non-transitory computer-readable storage medium encoded with instructions configured to control a processor to perform a process, the process comprising:

setting in an authentication message a service selection information regarding selection of a network service,

sending the authentication message from via a first network to an authentication server coupled to a second network, wherein the first and second networks are distinct, and wherein the authentication message signals the service selection information via the first network to an authentication server of the second network;

selecting a gateway in the second network to connect to the first network;

wherein the service selection information comprises at least one access point name parameter,

wherein the at least one access point name parameter comprises an access point name, a username, and a password, and

wherein the at least one access point name parameter is encrypted in the authentication message so that the access point name can be decrypted or read by an

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access server, and the user name and the password can only be decrypted at a network defined by the access point name.

35-36 (Cancelled)

37. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 28, wherein the received authentication message is based on an extensible authentication protocol.

38. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 37, wherein the received authentication message is an extensible authentication protocol challenge response message.

39-40. (Cancelled)

41. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 28, further comprising:

decrypting the at least one access point name parameter.

42. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 28, further comprising:

forwarding the at least one access point name parameter to the access point in an encrypted manner.

43. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 29, wherein the authentication message is an extensible authentication protocol message.

44. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 43, wherein the extensible authentication protocol message is an extensible authentication protocol challenge response message.

45. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 44, wherein the extensible authentication protocol challenge response message is an extensible authentication protocol subscriber identity module or extensible authentication protocol authentication and key agreement challenge response message.

46. (Cancelled)

47. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 29, wherein the service is a general packet radio service.

48. (Previously Presented) An apparatus, comprising:
extracting means connected to a second network for extracting from a received authentication message from a first network, a service selection information to select a service, wherein the authentication message signals the service selection information via the first network to an authentication server of the second network; and
controlling means for using the service selection information to establish a connection to services provided over an access point indicated by the service selection information, and for selecting a gateway in the second network to connect to the first network, wherein the first and second networks are distinct,

wherein the service selection information comprises at least one access point name parameter,

wherein the at least one access point name parameter comprises an access point name, a username, and a password, and

wherein the at least one access point name parameter is encrypted in the authentication message so that the access point name can be decrypted or read by an access server, and the user name and the password can only be decrypted at a network defined by the access point name.

49. (Previously Presented) An apparatus, comprising:

setting means for setting in an authentication message a service selection information regarding selection of a network service; and

sending means for sending the authentication message through a first network to a second network, wherein the first and second networks are distinct, wherein the authentication message is used by the second network to select a gateway in the second network to connect to the first network,

wherein the service selection information comprises at least one access point name parameter,

wherein the at least one access point name parameter comprises an access point name, a username, and a password, and

wherein the at least one access point name parameter is encrypted in the authentication message so that the access point name can be decrypted or read by an

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access server, and the user name and the password can only be decrypted at a network defined by the access point name.

2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Claims 1-7, 12-16, 19-24, 26-30, 33, 34, 37, 38, 41-45, 47-49 are allowed in view of Applicant's remarks, amendments and submissions filed 05/28/2010 and further in view of the approved Examiner's Amendment to the claims.

Specifically, regarding claim 1, and similarly claims 12, 21, 27-30, 33, 34, 48, and 49, the prior art of record does not expressly:

A method, comprising:

using an authentication message to signal service selection information via a first network to an authentication server of a second network, **the service selection information indicating an access point, wherein the first and second networks are distinct, wherein the authentication message signals the service selection information via the first network to an authentication server of the second network; and**

using the service selection information to connect to at least one service provided over the access point indicated by the service selection information,

selecting, using the authentication server, a gateway in the second network to connect to the first network;

wherein the service selection information comprises at least one access point name parameter,

wherein the at least one access point parameter comprises an access point name, a username, and a password, and

wherein the at least one access point name parameter is encrypted in the authentication message so that the access point name can be decrypted or read by an access server, and the user name and the password can only be decrypted at a network defined by the access point name.

Although Bjelland discloses a terminal request include specified access parameters, Bjelland fails to disclose provisioning service selection information indicating an access point via a first network to an authentication server of the second network. Furthermore, while this request provides the service selection within a PDP context, the request is not provide within an authentication message.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to ARIEL BALAOING whose telephone number is (571)272-7317. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM.

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